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foreign patent office in a counterpart application citing such documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office.

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JP-A- No. 8-118213 discloses grinding a taper surface by holding a wheel on a diagonally traveling table which enables an adjustment of an angle of gradient and oscillating one axis.

JP-A-No. 7-334223 discloses a tool spindle attitude control system which works while inclining a tool to an arbitrary direction with respect to a work.

JP-A-No. 6-342304 discloses an oscillation grinding command which enables oscillation grinding for an optical shape.

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CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY  
BETWEEN THE INVENTION AND MATERIALS

1 JP-A-8-7782/3

This publication discloses grinding a taper surface by holding a wheel on a diagonally traveling table which enables an adjustment of an angle of gradient and oscillating one axis

2 JP-A-7-334223

This publication discloses a tool spindle attitude control system which works while inclining a tool to an arbitrarily direction with respect to a work.

3 JP-A-6-342304

This publication discloses that an oscillation grinding command which enables oscillation grinding for an optical shape.

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		JP	05-123939	A	5/21/1993	WAIDA SEISAKUSHO: KK CITIZEN WATCH CO LTD N S T :KK	Abstract
		JP	09-155676	A	6/17/1997	MITSUI SEIKI KOGYO CO LTD	Abstract
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